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Business RECYCLING Assistance Program

Waste Management Information for South Carolina Businesses

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Business recycling guide updated

Columbia, S.C. –The Business Recycling Assistance Program (B-RAP) recently updated “It’s Everybody’s Business: A How-To Guide for Implementing Waste Reduction Programs for South Carolina Businesses and Organizations.” The second edition offers updated waste audit forms, information on new materials like electronics and fluorescent lamp recycling, additional case studies and new Web links.

According to B-RAP manager Karen Owens, the guidebook is an ideal reference book for companies looking to start waste reduction and recycling programs. “Whether you have three employees or 3000, you basically have the same steps for putting a program in place: getting a handle on what you’re currently disposing; identifying what materials can potentially be recycled or reused; and locating companies that will collect and process your recyclables,” Owens said. “You also need to get management support, locate convenient collection points throughout your

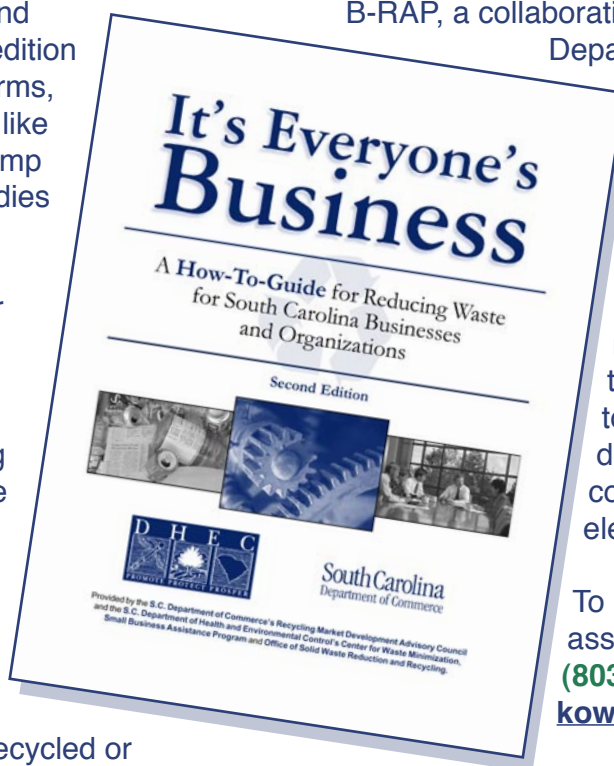
building and educate employees on how they can participate and what your desired recycling goals are.”

B-RAP, a collaborative effort of the S.C.

Department of Commerce and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control, helps businesses, government and other interested organizations implement waste reduction and recycling programs. Staff members use a number of tools to provide technical assistance to companies including a directory of the state’s recycling companies a Web site and an electronic newsletter.

To learn more about a recycling assessment, call Owens at **(803) 737-0239** or e-mail kowens@sccommerce.com.

Visit www.scdhec.gov/brap to view or download a copy of the guidebook. For a printed copy, call the toll-free recycling hot line at **1-800-768-7348**.



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